

Sandy newsletter

FEBRUARY 2009

Volunteers Honored for Outstanding Contributions

The annual Sandy City Appreciation Awards Banquet was held on February 10 at the South Towne Expo Center. Mayor Dolan and the Sandy City Council hosted the banquet in honor of the many volunteers in the Sandy community. We appreciate the thousands of volunteers who make a difference in the community every year.

Sandy City is truly a better place because of their endless dedication. Below is a partial list of the recipients for the 2008 year. For a complete list of the winners, please visit www.sandy.utah.gov. Congratulations to the many deserving individuals honored.



Mayor Dolan with Cathy Spuck and David Roth



Mike Coulam and Mayor Dolan with Connie Carter



Nancy Shay and Mayor Dolan with Harold Haugen



Mayor Dolan with Lois Hirschi

Outstanding Citizen Contribution – Cathy Spuck and David Roth

Cathy Spuck is a tireless volunteer at several of the busiest events in the city. She helps at the Sandy Amphitheater, Balloon Festival, Elementary Art Show and the Sandy 4th of July Celebration.

David is a volunteer with the Amphitheater as well as the Sandy Arts Guild. He has always been willing to do what is needed and is a great asset to city programs.

Outstanding Organization of the Year – Exchange Club of Sandy – Connie Carter

Connie Carter has been an integral part of the community through the Exchange Club, Sandy Pride and the Sandy Chamber. The Sandy Exchange Club has established a long-standing reputation as a service organization that truly makes a difference in our community. The club sponsors the Sandy Pride program that is an award-winning model of citizens and businesses working together to enhance the beauty and quality of life in our city. Connie has spent hundreds of hours contacting sponsors, distributing flyers and organizing volunteers in order to make Sandy Pride a success.

Parks & Recreation Volunteer of the Year – Harold Haugen

Harold Haugen is a valuable asset to the community of Sandy through his volunteer work in trail and maintenance projects. He displays expertise and leadership and is a committed individual. Harold is currently working on the construction of the bridge connecting the Bonneville Shoreline Trail from Sandy to Draper in Little Willow Canyon.

Lifetime Achievement Award – Lois Hirschi

Lois Hirschi has spent the majority of her life doing volunteer work. Just a few places she has volunteered at include: the Salt Lake Convention and Visitors Center, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, Jordan School District and the Boy Scouts. Lois was also instrumental in establishing the Hirschi Center, a learning center for children. It is estimated in the past year alone, Lois has spent close to 1,000 hours of volunteer time. Her most recent endeavor includes joining the Sandy Arts Show Committee where she brings years of experience to the committee.



Chris McCandless receiving the Noal Bateman Award

Noal Bateman Award – Chris McCandless

The Noal Bateman Award is the highest honor from the city given to an individual. Noal Bateman set an example of dedication to the city as a volunteer and humanitarian. The recipient of the award for 2008 is Chris McCandless. Chris serves on numerous boards and committees throughout the community such as the Boys & Girls Clubs in the South Valley, Sandy Honorary Colonels, Sandy Sister Cities Committee, Jordan Education Foundation and has served in a variety of capacities in the Rotary Club and the scouting program. Chris is also currently serving as a Sandy City Councilman. He has spent tireless hours doing humanitarian work for Sandy's Sister City Piedras Negras, Mexico as well as Boy Scout projects in Zimbabwe, Madagascar and Mexico. Chris demonstrates a spirit of service and comradeship in both social and business relationships and is a tremendous asset to the citizens of Sandy.

Sandy Citizen Survey

Dan Jones and Associates completed Sandy City's eleventh annual survey of citizens in December 2008. The purpose of the survey is to listen to the citizens, gather input on city services, and solicit suggestions for managing or improving Sandy City. In an on-going effort to listen to citizens, Sandy has completed this survey nearly every year since 1995. Commenting on the residents of Sandy's willingness to participate in the Survey, Dan Jones mentioned, "We find that individuals who complete the survey find it rewarding because the material pertains to them." With this input, Sandy City is working to improve its services throughout the community.

Citizens Recognized Improvements in Roads, Shopping, and Parks

This year, citizens most noticed street improvements, shopping and business growth, and new parks as the top three improvements in the community over the past five years. Other improvements noted by citizens included the soccer stadium, the

development around Quarry Bend, and streetlights. Improvements residents hope for in the future include better roadways and traffic control, more parks and open space, the 11400 South interchange, and low taxes.

Continued High Ratings for City Services

Citizens rated 28 city service areas on a scale of one to five with one meaning very dissatisfied and five meaning very satisfied. Speaking about these city services, Dan Jones said, "You get very high ratings on your services." All 28 areas received scores above 3.5, and 15 service areas received their highest score ever. Residents gave the highest ratings to fire and emergency medical services, garbage collection, the appearance of city parks, Senior Citizen programs, the Sandy Amphitheater, drinking water services. Other city services receiving very high ratings include the recycling program, the Sandy Fourth of July celebration, youth recreation programs, and the courtesy of city employees.

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MAYOR: Tom Dolan

CITY COUNCIL:

Scott Cowdell (Dist. 1)
Dennis Tenney (Dist. 2)
Bryant Anderson (Dist. 3)
Chris McCandless (Dist. 4)
Steve Fairbanks (At-Large)
Linda Martinez-Saville (At-Large)
Steve Smith (At-Large)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

Byron Jorgenson

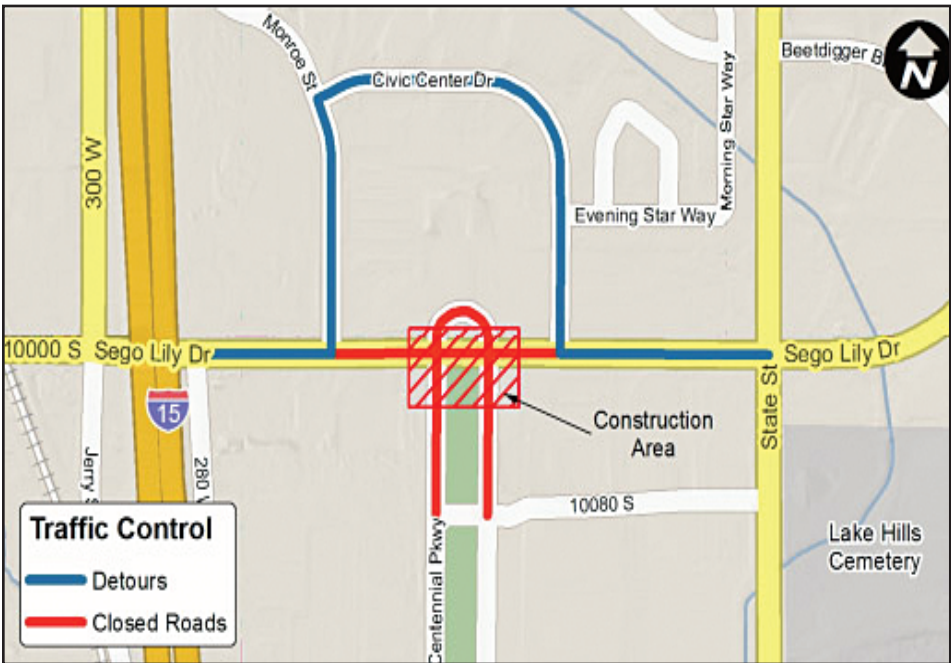
CITY PHONE NUMBERS:

Alta Canyon Rec Center...568-4600
Amphitheater..... 568-ARTS
Community Events.....568-6097
Fire Dept. Admin.....568-2930
General Information568-7100
Job Hotline561-7009
Parks and Rec568-2900
Planning and Zoning568-7256
Police Information.....568-7200
Public Utilities568-7280
(Water, Storm Water, Streetlights)
Public Works568-2999
(Roads, Engineering, Waste)
River Oaks Golf Course568-GOLF
Utility Billing.....568-7110



Centennial Parkway Intersection Project

Starting in March, work will begin in front of City Hall on 10000 South to reconstruct and modify the intersection at Centennial Parkway to include the installation of a traffic signal. When completed in June, traffic will flow more smoothly and safely through the area. In order to complete the project on time, it is necessary to close this intersection during the construction period and detour traffic around City Hall on Civic Center Drive as shown on the map. If you have questions about the project, contact the Public Works Department at 568-2999.



Miss Sandy Scholarship Pageant

Young women, ages 17-24, are invited to participate in the Miss Sandy Scholarship Pageant to be held on May 30. More than \$4,000 in scholarships and prizes will be available. This is an exciting opportunity to share your talents and serve the community. All former titleholders are also being asked to participate in this year's pageant. Please contact the Pageant Director, Jaron Winder at 495-0729 for more information.

Bond Raising for Sandy

Sandy City's Public Utilities Department was recently rated with a "AA+" rating from Standard and Poor's. Standard and Poor's is the world's foremost provider of independent credit rankings and recently contacted Sandy City to solicit information regarding the utility department's financial soundness. The department was given the highest ranking in their population category. This serves as an indication of Sandy City's stability in financial decision making including debt service and cash reserves. It also allows a lower interest rate in the event of a bond used for infrastructure improvements for water.

Sister Cities Art Competition

Sandy Sister Cities Committee is hosting a youth art competition. Artists between the ages 13 and 18 are welcome to submit two-dimensional artwork, no larger than 24" x 30", including matting, that incorporates the theme, "Your Path to Peace." Watercolors, oils, pastels, pen and ink, charcoal, photography, two-dimensional mixed media and computer generated art are all acceptable media.

Entries will be judged on theme interpretation, originality, and composition. Five winners will be chosen with prizes awarded ranging from \$75 to \$300. The winners will be announced at a reception on April 17. All entries will be displayed locally at Sandy City Hall and then returned. The first place winner will go on to the international level, where they will compete with winners from sister cities throughout the world and a chance to be one of ten winners in the international category.

All entries are due by 5 p.m. on April 3 and can be brought to Sandy City Hall, Room 300, Attention: Trina Duerksen
Entry forms can be found online at www.sandy.utah.gov/sc.



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Communicate with the Citizens

About half of the citizens surveyed have contacted a city office in the past year. Of those, 80 percent were somewhat or very satisfied with the city's response. The city's newsletter remains the most favored source of city information among respondents, yet other forms of communication were also desired, such as the use of email, or inserts in the utility bills. The survey showed one area that the city needs to work on is helping residents know how to inform the city about the way they feel on important issues and letting residents know their input is valued.

Survey Conclusions

Dan Jones and Associates outlined several conclusions from the survey results, including the following not previously mentioned:

- Growth related issues and improvements continue to be important to residents, although not as pressing as in the earlier years of this survey.
- Economic problems and concerns about budget issues, which have not been mentioned by residents in previous surveys, are now considered a growing issue.
- 96 percent of residents agree with the statement "Overall I feel safe living in Sandy" leading Dan Jones to say, "I have to be honest with you, you have no peer when it comes to this score."
- Crime, gang, and drug issues, which were the second most important issues facing Sandy in the early years of the study, are now mentioned by only 3 percent of residents

Overall, 98 percent of residents agreed with the statement "Sandy is a good place to live." Speaking on this point, Dan Jones commented to the City Council, "I promise you, there is no other community that gets a higher score." Sandy City officials and employees are doing everything they can to make sure this stays the case.

If you would like to get a complete copy of this survey report, please visit www.sandy.utah.gov.



Mayor Dolan awards Gary Lee with the Asian Star, Restaurant of the Year

Summit Award Winners

The Sandy City Council hosted the Summit Awards on January 27. The awards are given to businesses that contract with the city in a variety of services. The purpose of the awards is to recognize businesses that have exceeded the expectation for services on behalf of the citizens. Congratulations to the 2009 recipients.

Outstanding Public Relations Campaign

Tom Love with Love Communications for the Branding Campaign for the city from 2007 through 2009.

Public Works Contractor of the Year

Craig Necaie and Chris Rhodes with Noland and Son Construction Company for the project on 9400 South.

Home Builder of the Year

Brad Reynolds and Cory Nielsen with Brad Reynolds Construction for the construction of The Villages on Dimple Dell.

Community Development Contractor of the Year

David Layton, Mike Daniels, Jake Greenland and Dell Willes with Layton Construction and Gene Fatur from Turner Construction for the construction of the Rio Tinto Stadium.

Outstanding Construction Management

Charlie Thornton and Elliott Veasey with ICON Venue Group for their work on the Rio Tinto Stadium.

Restaurant of the Year

Gary Lee with Asian Star located at 7588 South Union Park Avenue.

Architectural Design & Redevelopment Recognition

Johansen Thackeray Commercial Real Estate for their development of The Commons at South Towne.

Outstanding Financial Consultant of the Year

Jason Burningham with Lewis Young Robertson & Burningham for their work on the Rio Tinto Stadium project.

Consultant of the Year

Dan Hartman with The Tetris Group.

Outstanding Partner in Long Range Planning

Alan Matheson with Envision Utah.

Outstanding Partner in Long Range Economic Planning

Clark Stringham for his work coordinating the Sandy Economic Development Council.

Slim Down Sandy

April 4 – June 13, 2009

The Healthy Sandy Partnership is sponsoring the 2009 Slim Down Sandy Program. The program is designed to encourage residents to lost ten pounds in ten weeks by increasing their daily activities, becoming nutritionally conscious, achieving an overall healthier lifestyle. This year, youth are encouraged to participate as well, so that they, with their parents, can learn to develop healthy habits at a young age.

The program officially begins on April 4. Registration and weigh-ins will take place at the following locations:

- **March 25 – April 3**, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. weigh-ins will take place at Thin and Healthy's Total Solution – 9486 South Union Square
- **Wednesday, March 25** from 9 a.m. until Noon at the Sandy Senior Center Health Fair – 9310 South 1300 East
- **Saturday, March 28** from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Alta View Hospital Health Fair - 9660 South 1300 East, Classrooms A & B
- **Official Weigh-In: Saturday, April 4** from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at Lone Peak Park Pavilion – 10140 South 700 East; Gold Medal Mile Walk to follow registration

Participants will receive points for a variety of activities throughout the 10 weeks. Points can be earned by attending weekly 1 mile walks and nutrition talks, losing weight, and for weighing in and weighing out. Point cards will be used to determine eligibility for prize drawings.

The **official weigh-out** will be Saturday, June 13 at Lone Peak Park Pavilion from 9-10 a.m. For more information, please visit www.sandy.utah.gov/slimdown.



Pictured from left to right Adam Anderson, Bret Neumann, Scott Stevens, Art Hunter and Mayor Tom Dolan.



Pictured from left to right, Glade Jardine, Helen Kurtz, Scott Stevens and Mayor Tom Dolan

Sandy Finance Office Receives Award for 22nd Straight Year

For 22 consecutive years, Sandy's Finance Department has received the Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting award for its report known as the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report). Scott Stevens, President of the Utah Government Financial Officers Association presented the award to staff on January 21. It is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and is awarded to agencies who demonstrate a constructive way to clearly communicate the financial story and motivate users and groups to read the CAFR.

Also in the finance department, several employees have been recognized for their achievement of the Distinguished Budget Presentation award by their commitment to satisfy national guidelines in governmental budgeting and effective budget presentation.

Congratulations to the Finance Department for receiving these prestigious awards.

Calendar of Events

March 2	Registration begins for Spring Youth Tennis at Alta Canyon	568-4600
March 3	City Council meeting 7 p.m.	568-7100
March 4	Deadline for registration for boys baseball	568-2900
March 5	Planning Commission 7 p.m.	568-7100
March 10	City Council meeting 7 p.m.	568-7100
March 12	Local Emergency Planning Committee 1:30 p.m.	568-7279
March 12	Citizen Corps Council 7 p.m.	568-7279
March 12-14	Honk! Jr. at Waterford School 7 p.m.	568-ARTS (2787)
March 17	City Council meeting 7 p.m.	568-7100
March 19	Planning Commission 7 p.m.	568-7100
March 19	Youth Summer Camp registration begins at Alta Canyon	568-4600
March 24	City Council meeting 7 p.m.	568-7100
March 31	City Council meeting 7 p.m.	568-7100

Sandy Parks & Recreation

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440 East 8680 South • Sandy, Utah 84070 • 568-2900 • www.sandy.utah.gov/parks

Registration Information: IN PERSON: Sandy Parks & Recreation
440 E. 8680 S. • Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. • 568-2900
ONLINE REGISTRATION: www.sandy.utah.gov/parks
(available for most sports and programs)



Recreation

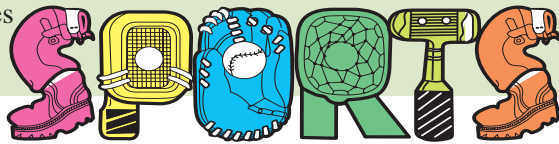
Referees and Umpires Needed

- Soccer Referees
- Baseball Umpires
- Girls Softball Umpires

For more information, call 568-2900 or visit www.sandy.utah.gov to apply online.

Watch for these new events in 2009

- Sandy 5K Fiesta Run – May 2
- Instructional Bowling Classes
- Hiking Program
- Modern Dance Classes



**9300 So. Riverside Drive
Sandy, Utah • 568-4653**



2009 Golf Leagues begin March 3

CoEd League

League Play: Mondays
Dates: April 6-Oct. 26 (Holidays are not included)
Fees: \$50 League fee (per couple) includes prizes and year-end banquet
Weekly Cost: \$12.50 (plus \$1 “Play of the Day” money) to walk 9 holes
OR \$19 (plus \$1 “Play of the Day” money) to ride 9 holes

Women’s League

League Play: Mondays
Dates: April 6-Oct. 26 (Holidays are not included)
Fees: \$35 League fee includes prizes and year-end banquet
Weekly Cost: \$12.50 (plus \$1 “Play of the Day” money) to walk 9 holes
OR \$19 (plus \$1 “Play of the Day” money) to ride 9 holes

Men’s League

League Play: Tuesday
Dates: March 3-Oct. 27 (Holidays are not included)
Fees: \$35 League fee includes prizes and year-end banquet
Weekly Cost: \$5 League Fees and \$12.50 to walk 9 holes
OR \$19 to ride 9 holes

League members will be able to reserve tee-times 8 days in advance instead of the normal 7-day advance policy.



**Alta Canyon Sports Center
9565 So. Highland Drive
Sandy, Utah • 568-4600**

Youth Summer Camps

Kids can enjoy summer camps at Alta Canyon. Children from 5-15 will enjoy activities each week including field trips, swimming, arts and crafts and plenty of active play. Program hours are Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m. with activities and field trips from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. **The first sign up date is March 19 from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.** Participants are encouraged to sign up early; camps fill up quickly.

Spring Youth Tennis Lessons

Give your child an early start on their tennis game. Registration for spring tennis begins March 2.

Session I – April 27-May 7 5 p.m. – Beginners level
6 p.m. – Intermediate/Advanced level
Session II – May 11 – May 21 5 p.m. Beginners level
6 p.m. – Advanced level

Lifeguard Training Course

Dates: May 5-16
Day/Time: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-10 p.m.
Saturdays from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Fee: \$150 (includes books)
Registration: April 1 – until classes are full

Water Safety Instructor Course

Dates: May 4-May 21
Day/Time: Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 -10 p.m.
Fee: \$150 (includes books)
Registration: April 1 – until classes are full

Participants are required to register in-person at Alta Canyon for lifeguard training/water safety courses.

Great Summer Job Openings At Alta Canyon

- Tennis Coordinator – Supervise and run tennis program
- Tennis Instructors – Teach tennis lessons to youth and adults
- Youth Counselor I – Organize, monitor and interact with youth summer camp kids
- Youth Counselor II – Organize, monitor and interact with youth summer camp kids as well as transporting youth to field trips

Please visit www.sandy.utah.gov for more information or to fill out an application.